



## Texas Department of Public Safety Texas Division of Emergency Management State Situation Report

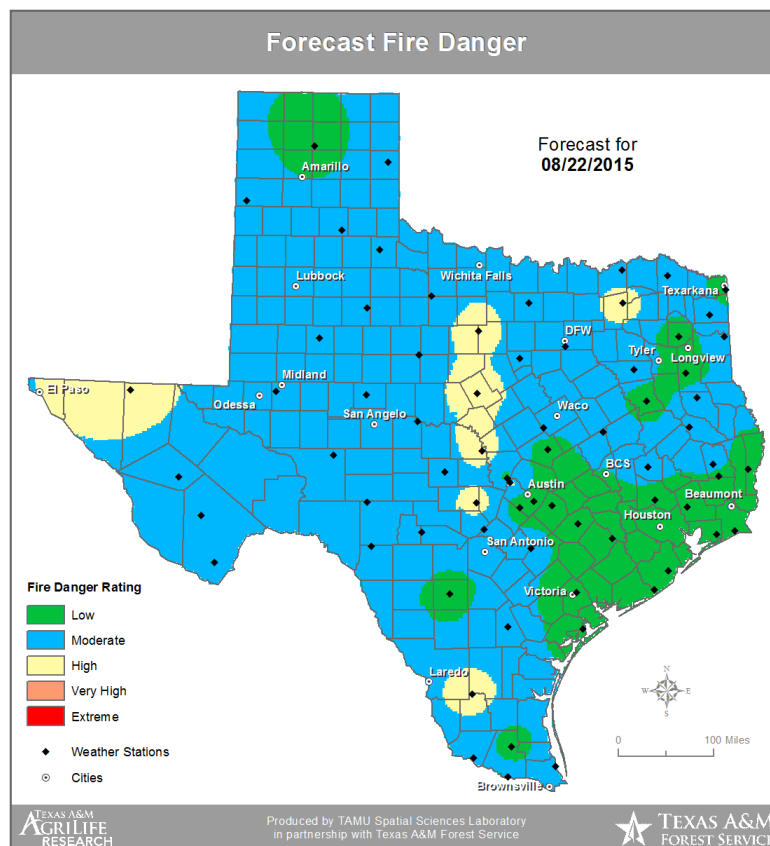
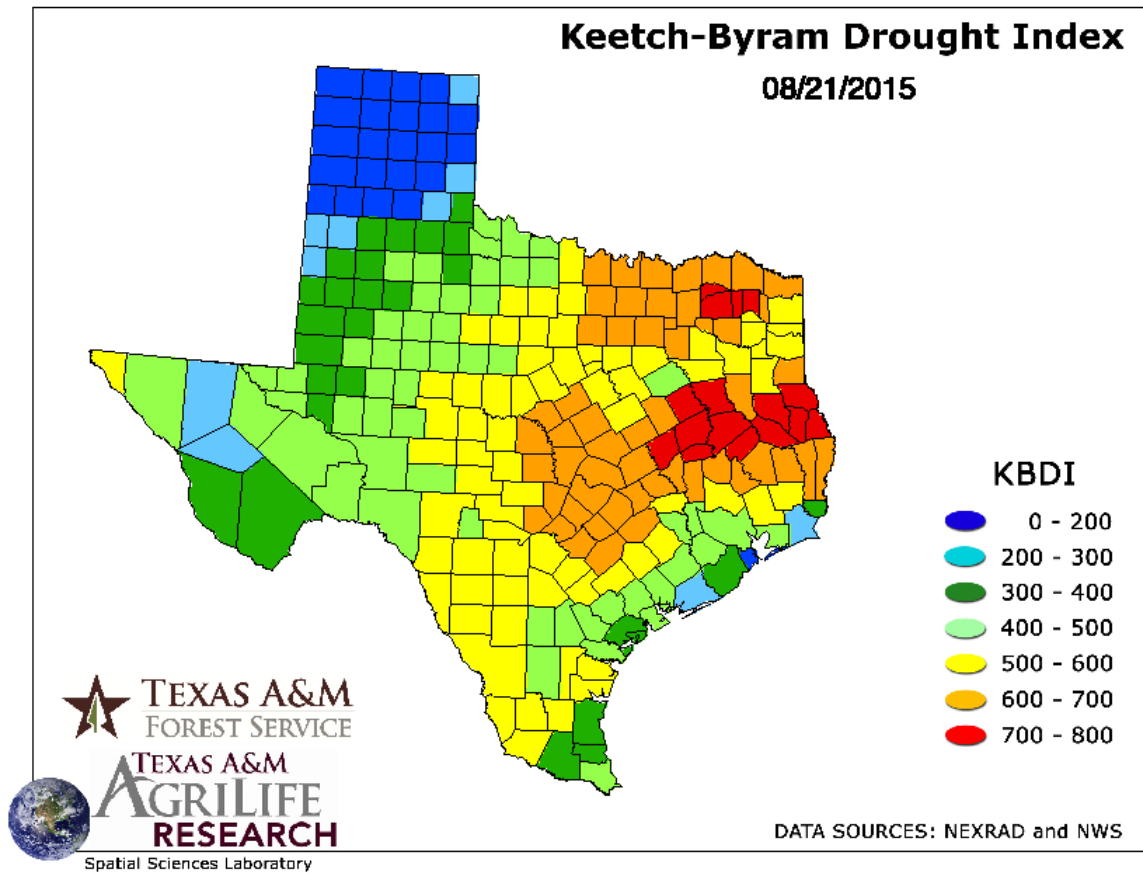
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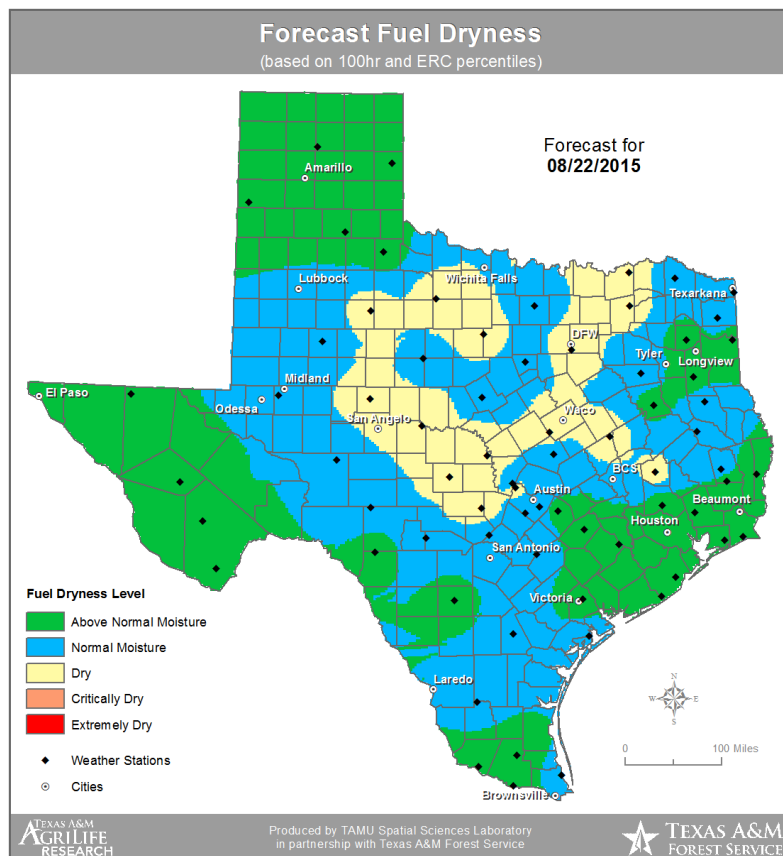
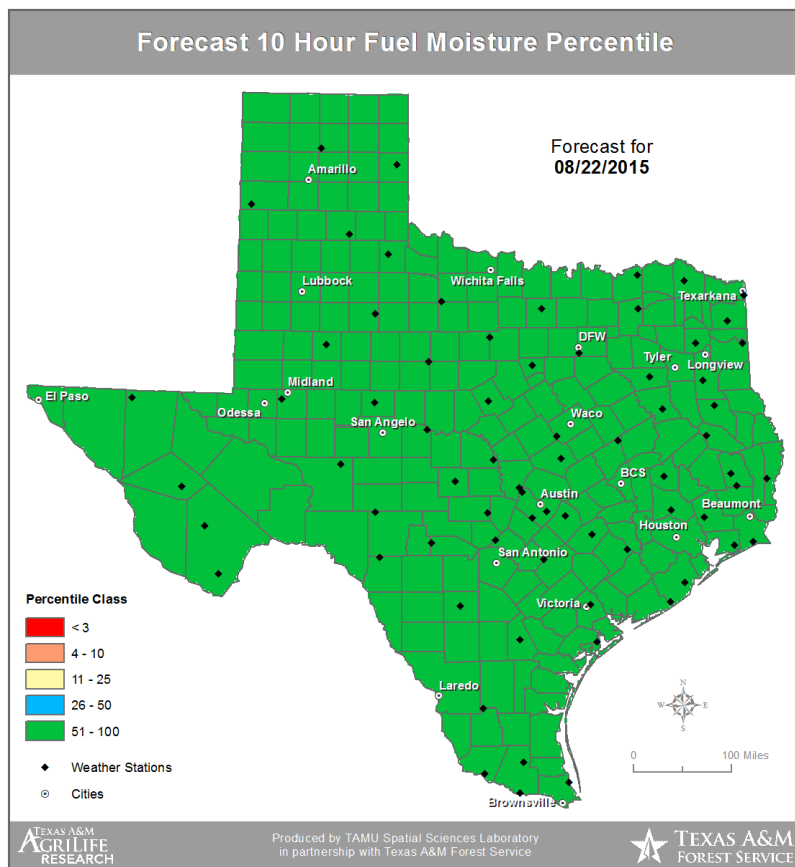
<b>Event Name</b>	August 2015 Wild Fire Event SITREP
<b>Date</b>	08/22/2015
<b>Time</b>	0700
<b>Operational Period</b>	0700 08/21/15 thru 0700 08/22/15
<b>Report Number</b>	11

<b>Regions Affected</b>	
<b>DPS Regions Affected</b>	4
<b>DDCs Active</b>	None

**STATEWIDE CURRENT SITUATION:** Several large fires have occurred or are ongoing due to dry conditions across the state. Thunderstorms moved across the state of Texas with potential lightning, gusty winds and rainfall. Isolated to scattered thunderstorms are expected throughout Texas. East Texas may experience wind gusts near 50 miles per hour, small hail and frequent cloud-to-ground lightning may accompany the thunderstorms. The thunderstorms in the panhandle are capable of producing hail the size of tennis balls and downburst winds around 70 miles per hour. Heavy downpours will possibly lead to local street flooding. South Texas showers and thunderstorms are possible, but will be isolated and brief. Most showers will focus more along the coast. Isolated to scattered showers and thunderstorms are forecasted in Central Texas. Severe weather is not expected, but the stronger storms may produce frequent lightning and gusty winds.

- + - Burn Ban is ONLY during a Red Flag Warning day
- \* - Burn Ban in effect check with County for specifics





### Operational Priorities:

1. Protect life and property.
2. Support rapid & effective response.
3. Collect and disseminate accurate incident information to improve decision-making.
4. Accurately track incident costs associated with assigned resources for cost recovery.
5. Maintain communication with impacted local jurisdictions.

### Region 4 (Includes DDCs 8, 9 and 10)

**DDC 10 San Angelo:** (Includes Coke, Concho, Crockett, Irion, Kimble, Mason, McCulloch, Menard, Reagan, Schleicher, Sterling, Sutton and Tom Green Counties)

### Menard County:

Treadwell Lane Fire: The fire has burned 657 acres, 100% contained and one home is threatened.

Wilhelm Lane Fire: The fire has burned 556 acres, 90% contained and one home is threatened.

### RESPONDING STATE AGENCIES/ORGANIZATIONS REPORTS

**Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS):** DPS Highway Patrol is assisting with traffic control.

**Texas A&M Forest Service (TFS):** TFS has a total of 56 dozers and seven engines available statewide. TFS is responding to numerous fires and assisting local fire departments.

**Aviation Assets:** Three federal helicopters in Smithville, Kerrville, and Fredericksburg; two single-engine Air Tankers in Fredericksburg, and two Air Attack aircraft, one in College Station and one in Fredericksburg.

### Texas Intrastate Fire Mutual Aid System (TIFMAS):

The Austin Area & San Antonio Area Strike Teams demobilized Tuesday and returned home on Wednesday. The Houston/Midland Strike Team will remain and will continue patrolling and mopping up the fires in Crockett County. Starflight helicopter was released as of 11:00 AM Friday morning.

<b>Strike Team 3 (Houston/Midland Area)</b>	
Big Spring FD	Type 6
Galveston FD	Type 6
Midland FD	Command & Type 6
Montgomery Co ESD #1	Type 6
Northeast Fire & Rescue	Type 6

**FINAL COMMENTS:** The State Operations Center (SOC) is at Level IV (Normal Conditions). The Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM) continues to monitor the situation and will provide additional situation reports as needed.

**The four levels of SOC activation are:**

- Level I (Emergency Conditions)
- Level II (Escalated Response Conditions)
- Level III (Increased Readiness Conditions)
- Level IV (Normal Conditions)

*This Situation Report can be found on the TDEM webpage at [www.txdps.state.tx.us/dem](http://www.txdps.state.tx.us/dem).*

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